(ग) क्या इस आशय का कोई नियम है कि 15 किलोमीटर क्षेत्र की परिधि के भीतर विद्युत आवश्यकताओं को पूरा करने के बाद ही अन्य स्थानों पर विद्युत की आपूर्ति की जाती है; यदि हां, तो क्या इस नियम का पालन इस मामले में किया जा रहा है और यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

विद्युत और गैर-पारम्परिक ऊर्जा स्रोत मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार) (श्री कल्पनाथ राय) : (क) से (ग) विवरण सभा पटल पर रखा जाता है।

विवरण

(क) बिहार राज्य बिजली बोर्ड के कांटी ताप विद्युत केन्द्र (मुजफ्फरपुर) की प्रतिष्ठापित विद्युत उत्पादन क्षमता इस समय 220 मेगावाट है ।

(ख) और (ग) किसी राज्य/क्षेत्र में विद्युत के वितरण एवं इसके विनियमन संबंधी कार्य, संबंधित राज्य बिजली बोर्ड द्वारा किया जाता है । यह विद्युत की आवश्यकता एवं उपलब्धता और संबंधित राज्य बिजली बोर्ड द्वारा सृजित आधारभूत सुविधाओं पर निर्भर करता है । विभिन्न विद्युत उत्पादन केन्द्रों से विद्युत, राज्यों के ग्रिडों को सप्लाई की जाती है और संबंधित राज्य के विभिन्न भागों को वितरित की जाती है चाहे वे विद्युत केन्द्र से कितनी ही दूर हों । ऐसा कोई नियम नहीं है कि विद्युत केन्द्र के आसपास 15 किलोमीटर क्षेत्र की विद्युत मांग को पूरा करने के बाद ही अन्य क्षेत्रों को विद्युत सप्लाई की जाए ।

Installation of navigational aids at Airports

*199. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have ordered for installation of vital navigational aids at many airports following crash of Indian Airlines Boeing 737 at Imphal, recently;

(b) if so, the names of the airports where navigational aids would be installed;

(c) whether it is a fact that due *to* non-availability of navigational aids, the pilots have to start landing much before the required distance; and

(d) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) The installation of navigational aids at our airports is continuous process. The National Airports Authority is implementing a phased programme for installation of navigational aids in the North East region.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Karnataka's representation for import of Coal

*200. SHRI J. P. JAVALI: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Karnataka Government has represented to the Central Government for permission to import one million tonnes of coal: and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the action taken by the Central Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

(a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Government of Karnataka have approached the

Central Government for import of one million tonnes of coal to ensure adequate availability of coal to Raichur Thermal Power Station. In view of the difficult foreign exchange position, the proposal for import of coal was not agreed. However, special efforts have been made to sustain generation in Raichur by stepping up despatches from the linked sources. Coal despatches to this Power Station are being closely monitored with the result that coal stocks with it have improved.

Development of Tirupati Airport

873. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY; Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that National Airports Authority has released funds for the development of airport at Tirupati in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) how far the work has been done?

THE MINISTER Op CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) The National Airports Authority (NAA) has drawn up plans for the upgradation of the Tirupati airport for Boeing 737 operations. But due to paucity of resources with the National Airports Authority, it has not been found possible to take up the project so far.

Identification of lesser known Tourist Centres

874. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have asked the tourism authorities to select several lesser known tourist centres in the country which would be taken up for intensive development in the near future; and

(b) if so, what are the details of such centres and whether any of these centres fall in the State of Maharashtra?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Delay in Air India flight for Aba Dhabi

875. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that on the 13th July an Airbus A-310 bound for Abu Dhabi via Sharjah was delayed by about seven hours when a rat wag found on board;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what steps are being taken to avoid such incidents in future?

THE MINISTER Op CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) A rat was noticed on board the aircraft on the Muscat-Bombay sector and this led to the cancellation of the flight Bombay-Sharjah-Abu Dhabi on 13th July, 1991 due to non availability of aircraft.

In consultation with experts, Air India takes regular rodent control measures like fumigation of the aircraft and use of rodent Control devices like rat traps and glue plates inside the aircraft. Rodent control measures are also carried out in the hangars, cabin catering building and canteen hi-lifts.